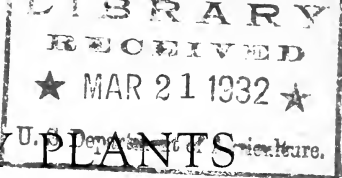


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# HARDY PLANTS

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## HARDY WILD FLOWERS

R **Allium reticulatum**. Dwarf onion, flowers bluish or white in spring. 75c per 12.

R **Allium stellatum**. Dwarf onion, handsome rose colored flowers in autumn \$1.00 per 12. These onions are not weedy and are good plants for the sunny rock garden.

G **Amsonia Tabernaemontana**. Blue flowers in spring. 2 ft.

G **Aruncus sylvester**. (Common Goatsbeard) Feathery panicles of creamy bloom in June 3 ft.

G **Asclepias tuberosa**. (Butterfly Weed.) Umbels bright orange flowers in summer. Exceedingly showy for rather dry soil. 1-2 ft.

G **Baptisia australis**. Dark blue pea-shaped flowers in May. 2 ft.

G **Cassia marilandica**. Handsome pinnate foliage numerous racemes showy yellow flowers in summer. 3-4 ft.

R **Cooperia Drummondii**. (Evening-Star) Dwarf bulbous plant, fragrant white blossoms in autumn. Choice.

R. W. **Dodecatheon media**. (Common Shootingstar.) The exquisite white form of this American relative of the primroses. Plant with *Iris cristata* in front of *Uvularia grandiflora*. Rare.

R **Houstonia angustifolia**. A natural rock plant, tufted, about 1 foot high. Many white flowers in spring and throughout the summer.

RW **Iris cristata**. (Crested Iris.) The true native crested iris. Only 4 to 6 inches high. Flowers early, large, fragrant; mostly lavender; some times blue or white. Needs shade and leaf mold. My favorite in my collection of 200 irises—A Gem! Lavendar type. 3 for 50c.

**Iris cristata alba**, the rare white form, one of the very finest wild flowers that grow. \$1.00 each.

MGR **Iris foliosa.** (Leafy Iris.) The bluest and the last to bloom of all the native irises.

MGR **Iris fulva.** (Cooper Iris.) Choice and rare. 50c each.

MG **Iris Shrevei.** (Interior Blueflag.) Lavender blue 25c each. Special selection white bordered pale blue, 50c each.

**Liatris.** This group of plants is valuable for last summer bloom, for easy culture, and for resistance to drought and insects. As specimens in the border or as large masses they are very satisfactory. Of the many kinds the following are the best, I recommend them highly.

R **L. punctata.** (Dotted Gayfeather.) The dwarf plant makes a low mass of wiry stems tipped with soft rosy spikes. A most excellent rock plant for Fall bloom.

**L. pycnostachya.** (Cat-tail Gayfeather.) The closely set purple flowers make striking wands 3 to 4 feet in August.

**L. scariosa.** Immense 4 ft. spikes in autumn. Extra good.

R **L. squarrosa.** Dwarf, but blooms all summer.

Liatris collections 12 (3 of each) \$2.00; 25 for \$3.00; 50 for \$5.00; 100 for \$9.00. If you prefer all of one kind, same prices.

When planting Liatris barely cover the bulblike roots and plant close together.

**Opuntia humifusa.** (O. Rafinesqui.) A cactus or "Prickly pear" with red centered, dazzling yellow satiny flowers, fully 3 inches across. Heavy plants 50 cents. Smaller size 25 cents.

BW **Phlox divaricata.** (Blue Phlox.) This dwarf blue-purple phlox makes a bit of bright color in the spring woods. Evergreen.

RW 2-3 **Polemonium reptans.** (Creeping P.) In spite of its name it does not creep nor spread but makes nice clumps a foot high and carries sprays of delicate blue bell-shaped flowers above the fern-like foliage. A first class border or rock plant. Of easy culture.

R **Ruellia ciliosa.** Lavender blue blossoms as big as morning glories all summer. Give dry sunny place.

R **Sedum pulchellum.** (Texas Sedum.) Mrs. Wilder compares this most charming of sedums to a "tiny emerald-green spruce tree." In May it bears triangular sprays of white or lavender pink flowers. Likes a rocky limestone soil. An annual or biennial, but self-sows freely. \$1.00 per dozen, \$5.00 pre 100.

R **Talinum calycinum.** (Ozark Talinum.) A new hardy succulent for very dry sunny places. Small

green tufts of thick needle-shaped leaves from which arise 10 inch stems so slender that the flowers appear to float in the air. The red-purple and gold blossoms open only in the afternoon but are borne steadily throughout the summer from May till frost, even during the worst heat and drought. One of my introductions and really good. I have good reports on this from England, New York and California and many other places. For spring planting I can supply any amount required.

**RW *Uvularia grandiflora*.** (Big Merrybells.) Bright orange-yellow bells hung on well leavened stems 2 ft. tall. A springtime beauty which is one of the choicest wildflowers.

**R *Verbena canadensis*.** (Rose verbenas.) This blooms from early spring to late autumn if the old flower beds are occasionally cut away. Lavender purple to red purple, very showy and free.

**RW *Viola pubescens*.** (Downy Yellow Violet.) A leafy stem species with pretty yellow flowers. It likes a rather moist rocky soil in open woods.

**R *Viola pedata*.** (Birdsfoot Violet.) In thin sandy or rocky acid soil *Viola pedata* makes great runs, drifts and sheets of color. No violet is more lovely with its finely cut leaves and large purple flowers on long stems.

## CULTURE

Before the various plants are key letters referring to the cultural directions below:

G Garden loam sun or light shade.

M Moist soil.

R Rock plant.

W Woodland plant. Needs some shade and leaf-mold.

All shrubs and nearly all other plants offered are good nursery grown stocks.

## TERMS AND PRICES

Terms: Cash with order.

Prices: Except as otherwise noted an uniform price of 50c for three of one kind, \$2.00 per 12. Except for some large shrubs all plants will be delivered prepaid if the total order amounts to \$2.50 or more. For orders less than \$2.50 please allow 25c extra for postage.

Please give shipping directions and express office.

Discounts: On orders totaling \$10.00 or more deduct 10 per cent, on \$25.00 or more deduct 20 per cent.

## HARDY NATIVE SHRUBS FLOWERING TREES AND VINES

Small and medium size shrubs (M) will be sent by mail prepaid at prices quoted. Large size (X) can be sent only by express collect.

Shipping season of shrubs from October, as weather permits, until April.

**Aesculus discolor var. mollis.** (Scarlet Buck-eye.) Brilliant red flowers spring. Large shrub blooming when small. 35c each. (M)

**Amelanchier canadensis.** (Downy Shadblow.) The first tree to bloom in spring. White flowers, followed by edible black fruit. Blooming size (X) 5-6 ft. 75c. 6-7 ft. \$1.00.

**Ampelopsis arborea** (Peppervine.) A high climber glossy leaves and shiny fruit. 50c. (M)

**Aralia spinosa** (Devils-walkingstick.) A treelike shrub with striking foliage and large panicles of white flowers in late summer. It is of extremely rapid growth and makes a wonderful bird shelter or is good for bold effects in planting. As the flowers fade they are followed by a heavy crop of black berries. (M) 35c. (X) 4-8 ft. 50c to \$1.00.

**Chionanthus virginica.** (White Fringetree.) Fragrant white flowers in Iris time. Strong 2-3 ft. (X) 60c. Heavy 3-4 ft. \$1.00 each.

**Clematis versicolor.** Delicate vineclimbing to 10 ft. Heart-shaped lavender blossoms. Try it. 50c.

**Cornus asperifolia.** (Roughleaf Dogwood.) Large shrub. Flowers and fruit creamy white. 1-2 ft. (M) 35c. 3-6 ft. (X) 50c to \$1.00.

**Cornus obliqua.** (Pale D.) Berries blue. (M) 35c.

**Euonymus atropurpureus.** (Wahoo.) Red fruit in fall. 2-3 ft. (X) 50c.

**Hamamelis macrophylla.** (Southern Witchhazel.) A new shrub never before offered. In fine bloom about Thanksgiving. Flowers showy bright yellow completely covering the branches. Blooming size (X) \$2.50 each.

**Hamamelis vernalis.** (Vernal W.) Fragrant yellow bloom in Jan. and Feb. Thousands of plants all sizes. 1-2 ft. 50c. 2-3 ft. (M) 75c. 3-4 ft. (X) 75c. 4-6 ft. \$1.25. Specimens 6 ft. and over to \$2.50 each.

**H. virginiana.** (Common W.) Yellow blossoms Oct. 4-5 ft. 75c. These Witchhazels will give you flowers outdoors all winter.

**Hypericum prolificum.** (Shrubby St. Johnsworth.) Low shrub many brilliant gold flowers all summer. Particularly good. Specimens 50c each. 2 year size (M) 75c per 12. Rates by the hundred for hedges, etc.

**Lonicera albiflora.** (Madreselva Honeysuckle.) Shrubby vine, flowers white, very showy red berries all winter.

**Lonicera flava.** (Yellow Honey-suckle.) A scrambling or climbing vine to 10 feet. The handsome orange flowers which appear in good sized heads in spring are very fragrant. They are followed by orange red berries which remain a long time. I have the true species, which Mr. Durand calls "My best beloved among the honeysuckles."

**L. Heckrotti.** (Everblooming H.) Buff and rose, fragrant.

**L. mackii podocarpa.** (Late H.) From China. Large shrub. Blossoms white fruit red. (M) 50c, Specimens (X) \$1.00 each.

**L. prolifera.** (Grape H.) Shrubby vine. Blossoms creamy, very showy red berries.

**L. sempervirens.** (Trumpet H.) Coral red, very popular.

All these vine Honeysuckles priced as follows: (M) 50c. Heavy (X) 75c.

**Magnolia acuminata.** (Cucumber-tree.) A tree with yellowish flowers in summer and showy cucumber shaped red fruits in autumn. 6-8 ft. \$1.00 each.

**Philadelphus pubescens.** (Hoary Mock-orange.) Should be in every garden. It is tall and in bloom makes a great show. The ivory white flowers are delightfully fragrant. Heavy plants (X) 60c.

**Physocarpus intermedius.** (Illinois Ninebark.) A shrub close kin to Spirea notable for wealth of creamy white flower heads in May and for red seed pods and brilliantly colored foliage in autumn. Good plants (X) 50c.

**Physocarpus monogynus** (Dwarf Colorado Ninebark.) Much like the above but smaller in every way. A neat compact shrub. Heavy 3 ft. plants (X) 60c.

**Rhus cotinoides.** (American Smoketree.) 6-8 ft. \$1.00.

**Rhus trilobata.** (Lemonade Sumac.) Neat, compact shrub, glossy foliage, red berries. 4 ft. specimens \$1.00 each.

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## HARDY FERNS

For spring planting I can supply the following ferns in strong, well rooted plants:

• **W Adiantum pedatum.** (American Maidenhair.)

**RW Asplenium platyneuron.** (Ebony Spleenwort.)

**RW Cystopteris fragilis.** (Brittle Fern.)

R *Cheilanthes alabamensis*.

R *Cheilanthes lanosa*.

1-2 *Onoclea sensibilis*.

W 2 *Phegopteris* (*Dryopteris*) *hexagonopiera*  
(Winged Woodfern.)

W *Polystichum* (*Aspidium*) *Acrostichoides* (Christmas Fern.)

R-4578 *Pellaea atropurpurea* (Purple Cliffbrake.)

R-2 *Woodsia obtusa*.

All ferns at 25c each, \$2.00 per 12, \$12.00 per 100.

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I sell 12 of one kind for the price of 10. Write for special prices by the 100.

Visitors welcome.

**Hemerocallis.** (Daylily.) Easily grown perennials, grassy leaves, lily-like flowers. All *Hemerocallis* 25c each, \$2.00 per 12. Special: Six all different \$1.00.

H *citrina*. Lemon yellow 4-5 ft. July, Aug.

H *Dumortieri*. (Early D.) Orange, April, 1-2 ft.

H *Florham*. Clear yellow, large, extra good. June 3 ft.

H *minor*. (Dwarf D.) Yellow. April 1-2 ft.

H *Thunbergi*. (Japanese D.) Yellow 3 ft., July, Aug.

H *Queen of May*. Probably superior to *Florham*. 60c each.

H *Gold Dust*. Sparkling yellow 2-3 ft., May, June.

H *Sovereign*. Orange 2 ft., May.

H. *Unknown*. Good yellow, distinct, May.

**Hosta ccerula.** (Blue plantinlily.) Lavender blue bells on 3 ft., stems, July. For a shady spot, 25c each.

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## IRIS

**Dwarf Bearded Iris.** These are very low (3-10 in. tall) and bloom very early; usually with the *Crocus* and early *Daffodils*. Some often bloom again in autumn. All may be gently forced for winter bloom indoors. The varieties are arranged in order of height and season of bloom. Do not overlook these.

**Pumila atrovioacea.** Rich purple very free and early. One of the best, 25c for 3; 75c for 12; \$6.00 for 100.

**Azurea.** Sky blue. 25c. each.

**Prairie Gem.** A yellow companion to the above. 15c each.

**Zullichau.** Blue, 25c, \$2.00 per 12.



**Negus.** Dark purple, fine, 15c.

**Marocain.** Rich red purple, choice 15c. Marocain.

**Bridesmaid.** White marked, blue and yellow, 10c, 60c per 12.

**Bride.** White. 10c each.

**Aurea Maculata.** Yellow, slightly marked purple on falls, very showy, 10c, 60c per 12.

**Graminea.** (Bonnewitz) Rich red-violet, of fine form, 25c.

**Statellae.** Cream white, 15c, \$1.00 per 12.

**Lurida.** Bronzy purple, unusual and scarce. 12 in., 25c.

**Zwanenburg.** A study in olive bronze and gold. Large flower, 10c, 60c per 12.

**Unlabeled.** Mostly all yellow, from several choice kinds, the labels were lost. These at 60c per 12. \$4.00 per 100.

I cannot deliver Azurea, Prairie Gem and Bride until May or later. The rest at any time.

**Iris Autumn King.** A splendid intermediate iris. Blooms in spring and again in autumn, 25c each.

**I. Autumn Queen.** A white companion to the purple of A. King, 25c.

**Siberian Iris.** An assortment in a full range of color from white thru blue to dark purple, 75c per 12. \$4.00 per 100.

**Spuria Irises.** The Spurias below and the Siberians above require good soil, not too dry. They are decorative in the garden and make splendid cut flowers.

**Ochroleuca.** (Goldband Iris.) Stately plant with ivory flowers of heavy texture. Very late, 25c.

**Mrs. A. W. Tait.** Similar, but lavender blue, 25c.

**Bulbous Iris.** Blossoms similar to above but grows from bulbs. Dark blue, 18 in., 60c per 12.

I have discarded all worthless sorts and now have some 200 kinds of Irises. Probably the best collection in the state. No catalog issued but come see them in bloom in April and May. They are priced so you can buy.

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## SEDUMS

**Mossy Sedums.** Tiny plants, 1 to 6 in. high, as beautiful in foliage as flower. These are especially good in a rock garden, even a small one. These are arranged in order of height, smallest first. All need gritty soil and in summer most of them do better with a bit of protection from midday sun.

**S. dasyphyllum.** Silvery foliage, blooms white.

**S. acre.** Bright green. B. yellow.

**S. stenopetalum.** Native. Dark green. B. yellow.  
Climate proof.

**S. hispanicum.** Blue green, tinted red. B. white.

**S. album.** Green, tinted red. B. white.

**S. album No. 2.** Changes to plum color in winter.

**S. tenuifolium.** Similar to album but larger.

**S. pulchellum.** Native. Green. B. pink. Does best in shade, not too dry. Flourishes on moist dripping rocks.

**S. reflexum.** Bright green. B. yellow.

**S. rupestre.** Similar.

**S. altissimum.** Blue green. Unusual.

**Creeping Sedums.** These spread more or less but are o. k. in larger rock gardens.

**S. sarmentosum.** Pale green. B. yellow.

**S. spurium.** Foliage red in winter. B. deep carmine.

**S. kamschaticum.** Splendid. B. orange.

**S. Sieboldi.** Finest of all. Blue green. B. rose. 35c.

All Sedums, except Sieboldi, 15c each.

Special: 12 Sedums, your choice, \$1.50 prepaid.  
(Not over 1 Sieboldi in each lot.)

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## WATER LILIES

Water Lilies require rich soil in a sunny pool. There should be from 6 to 12 inches of water over the soil for best results. I offer the following kinds in good plants:

\* **Chromatella.** The best yellow, \$1.00.

\* **Gladstone.** Large white, \$1.00.

**Gloriosa.** Red, \$2.00.

**Paul Hariot.** Apricot pink, \$1.25.

\* **Pink Opal.** Pink, \$1.00.

**Dwarf White.** Will do well in tubs, 50c.

\* Note—Special: The three above starred (\*) for \$2.50; with the Pink Lotus below, the 4 for \$3.25 prepaid.

**Pink Lotus.** (Nelumbo nucifer) Commonly called Egyptian Lotus but really from Asia. Immense blooms and leaves carried well above the water. \$1.00 each.

I can supply blue, white, and yellow water Iris; Cattails, Calamus, Water Ferns; Blue Pickerel-weed and several hardy floating and submerged plants for pools, all at 25c each.

Special No. 2. Four water lilies and a good assortment of other water plants, worth more, for \$5.00.

My list for Fall will carry Peonies, Narcissus, Tulips, etc.